

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come and rejoice in God!

P: Sing praise to God who continually blesses our lives!

L: In the midst of troubles and stress, God is near, offering compassion.

P: Our hope is in the Lord.

L: Let all the people praise God.

P: Hallelujah! AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, we have come to this place from a world of demands and schedules. We have sought hope and peace and have found them here. Now we seek the inner joy that only your presence can bring to our lives. Open our hearts and our spirits to your love. For we ask this in Jesus' name. AMEN.

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLES: The Candle of Joy - Tag
Grandgeorge Family

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM - "From the Manger"

Narrator: Nicole Nicoletti-Calvert

Cow: Axyl Alt

Donkey: Weston Amonson

Mary: Fiona Nicoletti-Calvert

Joseph: Abram Vrba

Innkeeper: Amanda Schorzmann

Angels: Nyah Behrendsen, Jayda Alt, Jazmyin Campos, Neveah

McMillan, Emerblyn Asche, Alaina Vrba

Star: Axyl Nicoletti-Calvert

Shepherds: Kysen Sisson, Cade McMillan, Joss Behrendsen

Kings: Jevan Alt, Lincoln Evje, Easton Amsonson

Camel: Korah Collins

Lamb: Landry

NOISY OFFERING

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the precious gift of our children. We pray that you would watch over them, protect them from harm, and guide them in your ways. Fill their hearts with your love, wisdom, and courage, and help them to make choices that honor you. May they always know that you are with them, and that your love for them is everlasting. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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BENEDICTION

SENDING OFF SONG: Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus (2x)

Announcements

Sign-up sheets have been placed in the back of the sanctuary for filling the volunteer roles of acolytes, children's sermon, and scripture reader through March of 2025. If you are willing and able, please volunteer!

There will be a Christmas Eve service on December 24th at 5:00 P.M. led by Pastor Laurene Banza.

Nicole is looking for volunteers to help with the Holly Jolly Craft Night on December 16th from 5:00 - 8:00 P.M. at Eagle Grove Elementary School. There will be take and go crafts available for families. What a festive way to get involved in the community!

Greeters:

December 22nd - Angie Anderson

December 24th - Kelly and Melody Amonson

December 29th - Ben and Brandi Wesselink

Acolytes:

December 22nd -

December 29th - Jevan Alt and Easton Amonson

Scripture Readers:

December 22nd - Jerry Becker

December 29th - Justin Alt

Children's Sermon

December 22nd - Melody Amonson

December 29th -

Birthdays:

December 15 - Tarissa Middleton, Heather Mack

December 19 - Larry Hill, Jersey Willwerth

December 21 - Fiona Nicoletti-Calvert, Lenore Spellmeyer, Cecelia Wilde

Dial-A-Devotion:

December 17th - Melody Amonson

December 24th - Sharon Seibert

Meetings/Activities:

December 18th - Kids' Club, Confirmation, Youth Group

December 21st - UM Men at Family Table - 7:00 A.M.

December 24th - Christmas Eve Service - 5:00 P.M.

Eagle Grove United Methodist Church

December 15th, 2024

Pastor Laurene Banza

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